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DISCLOSURE ADVISORY

For the person named above, whom the People may call as a witness, please be advised as follows.

1. On April 14, 2014, the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) has deemed substantiated an allegation of Abuse-Frisk and noted other misconduct (OMN) for failure to produce a stop and frisk report in connection with an incident that occurred on April 11, 2015. On this date, Edouard Merant stopped a man, who was holding an open bottle of beer, to give him a summons for the open container. According to this man, Edouard Merant asked to search him twice, and he refused both times. According to the man, Edouard Merant then frisked him by patting his rear pants pockets, legs, back, and waist area. Edouard Merant testified that after explaining the reason for the stop he frisked this man for his own safety. The CCRB investigation found that Edouard Merant frisked this man without justification because Edouard Merant was unable to describe anything specific that would have led him to believe there was any actual danger to his own safety and the safety of others. Edouard Merant did not allege that he observed this individual committing a misdemeanor or felony, nor did Edouard Merant articulate any specific reason that this individual might be armed with a weapon. For these reasons the CCRB substantiated the allegation of Abuse-Frisk for Edouard Merant.

Additionally, even though summonses were issued to this man documenting the stop, the CCRB found that Edouard Merant should have prepared a Stop and Frisk report documenting the circumstances and the actions he took regarding the frisk. Accordingly, the CCRB cited him for other misconduct for failing to prepare a stop and frisk report.

2. The New York City Police Department (NYPD) has deemed substantiated an allegation that on July 20th, 2014, Edouard Merant failed to appear for a Transit Violations Bureau court appearance.

Various publicly available websites and databases contain disciplinary information for certain law enforcement officers. Information in such databases about this officer is not necessarily included in this advisory.

Any information herein regarding civil lawsuits against an officer is not necessarily a complete list of civil lawsuits in which that officer is a defendant.

Allegations of misconduct that have not been substantiated and are not pending (including, but not limited to, findings of unsubstantiated, unfounded, and exonerated), and allegations of technical infractions, are not subject to disclosure and are not included in this advisory.

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If you have any questions, please contact the Assistant District Attorney assigned to the case on which you are receiving this advisory.

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